(b) how it compares with the World figures; and

(c) the quantity of Aluminium scrap imported during last three years and how the use of imported scrap compares with the domestic scrap in respect of Aluminium metal production through recycling process?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COAL AND MINES (SHRI RAVI SHANKAR PRASAD): (a) to (c) Exact data on aluminium metal produced from recycling scrap are not available. It is estimated that in India, roughly 15-20% of total aluminium metal production may be obtained through recycling of scrap. In other parts of the world, mainly USA, Japan and Europe, reportedly 25-30% of aluminium metal is produced through recycling. Imported scrap generally gives better quality product on recycling, as compared to domestic scrap which is usually not sorted and graded.

Ash Pond Disaster of Nalco in Angul, Orissa

1671. SHRI MAN MOHAN SAMAL: Will the Minister of COAL AND MINES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have assessed the losses caused by the ash pond disaster of NALCO on 31st December, 2000 in the Angul district of Orissa;

(b) if so, the area-wise/family-wise/village-wise details of the loss caused;

(c) whether compensation has been given to the affected people; and

(d) if so, the area-wise/family-wise/village-wise details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COAL AND MINES (SHRI RAVI SHANKAR PRASAD): (a) to (d) The district administration alongwith officials of National Aluminium Company Limited (NALCO) and people's representatives have assessed the losses caused by the Ash Pond disaster of NALCO on 31st December, 2000. A total of 12 villages of Angul Block and 13 villages of Talcher Block were assessed to be affected by the breach, and compensation due in each case was determined. Accordingly, an amount of Rs. 2,15,25,141,78 has already been paid by NALCO.

Corruption in CIL and its subsidiaries

1672. SHRI KRISHNA KUMAR BIRLA: Will the Minister of COAL AND MINES be pleased to state:

(a) whether in view of widespread corruption in CIL and its subsidiaries, the Government propose to bring major administrative changes in CIL and its subsidiaries;